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Before the

FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20554

In the Matter of)

Amendment of the Amateur Service)
Rules Concerning the 222-225 Mhz)
and 1240-1300 Mhz Frequency Bands)

PR Docket No. 92-289

To: The Commission

Comments of James Paquin K6ML

These comments are offered in response to the Commissions Notice of Proposed Rule Making in the above-captioned matter. I support the proposal to set aside 222-222.150 Mhz for non-repeater use.

Most progress in radio communication, just as in other fields has come about through experimentation and trying new ideas and techniques by those interested in the technology and in trying to do a little better. While the use of repeaters has become very popular and serve many useful purposes in amateur personal communications as well as in support of the many public service activities, the rapid growth in users of repeaters have tended to be new novices and technicians with their hand-held's, who all seem to want their own repeaters and repeater frequency pairs, at the expense of other modes and uses of the bands for which they may not yet be aware or equipped.

I support at least the set aside of the proposed 222-222.150 Mhz for non-repeater uses such as weak signal, EME, and DX windows, beacons, and hopefully keep these frequency set asides uniform all over the country. Non-repeater frequencies should also be available for simplex operation preferably outside the weak signal set aside.

Respectfully submitted,

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